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Subject: For Review COB 11/23/2021: GAO Draft Report Response - Dispersants in Oil Spills
Attachments: ORD_OEM_EPA Draft Response_ GAO Dispersants in Oil Spills_11_22_2021.docx; Technical Comments_GAO-22-104153_Additional Information is Needed to Better Understand_Chemical Dispersants_OEM_ORD_11_22_2021.xlsx; GAO-22-104153 Draft Report.pdf

Hi Chris and Bruce,

Requested Action:	For expedited IOAA review, please find attached CESER and OLEM's joint draft response and technical comments on the GAO's Draft Report for the audit, The Use and Known Effects of Dispersants in Oil Spills (104153). The proposed response includes detailed comments and addresses the GAO's recommendation with an estimated completion date.
Due Date:	COB November 23, 2021
Background:	
Additional Information:	Please note that the attached documents are being concurrently reviewed by OLEM's senior leadership. OW and OGC have already reviewed and approved the technical comments.
Signed/Reviewed by:	Please note that Greg Sayles has reviewed and concurs with the response.
Next Steps:	Send comments to Danielle Suarez . Following IOAA's and OLEM's concurrence, the audit team will send the documents to OCIR for review. Once OCIR concurs, the final response memo will be sent to IOAA for signature.
Attachments:	For IOAA's review: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ORD_OEM_EPA Draft Response document: this document is the joint ORD-OLEM draft response to the draft report• Technical Comments Excel: this excel contains joint ORD-OLEM technical comments. Some comments are written in red (Requesting GAO to include text) or crossed out (Requests GAO to remove text). Also attached is the PDF of the draft report for reference when reviewing the comments and response.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!

Kind Regards,

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